

The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

To the FCC.

I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I pay too much already and find that at least 50% of my land line bill is eaten up in taxes and "fees". I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable. As a matter of fact, since I am retired and on SS, it won't take much for my phone service to be beyond reach financially. My cell phone is used because as a constant companion, I can feel safe when I am away from home.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. I only make about 8 or 9 long distance calls per year. Why should I pay the same burden as the industry down the road making perhaps ten or twenty long distance calls per day. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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